

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

In the Matter of the Application of)  
HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC.)  
For Approval of Power Purchase )  
Contract with Hawi Renewable )  
Development, Inc. and Approval to )  
Commit Funds in Excess of \$500,000 )  
for HELCO-Owned Interconnection )  
Facilities. )

DOCKET NO. 02-0145

ORDER NO. 19551

DIV. OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
DEPT. OF COMMERCE AND  
CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE OF HAWAII

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ORDER

I.

By an application filed on June 6, 2002, HAWAII ELECTRIC LIGHT COMPANY, INC. (HELCO) requests: (1) approval of the Power Purchase Contract dated January 8, 2001 (PPA), by and between HELCO and Hawi Renewable Development, Inc. (HRD); (2) authorization to include the purchased energy costs that HELCO incurs under the PPA in HELCO's Energy Cost Adjustment Clause (ECAC); (3) a determination that the energy charges to be paid by HELCO are reasonable; (d) a determination that the purchased power arrangements under the PPA, pursuant to which HELCO purchases energy from HRD, are prudent and in the public interest; and (e) approval of the commitment of approximately \$883,000 for the HELCO-owned interconnection facilities, in accordance with paragraph 2.3.g.2 of the commission's General Order No. 7, Standards of Electric Utility Service in the State of Hawaii (General Order No. 7).

HELCO served copies of the application on the Division of Consumer Advocacy, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (Consumer Advocate).

Paragraph 2.3.g.2 of General Order No. 7 provides that if the commission does not act on a public utility's application and render a decision and order within 90 days of filing (90-day review period), the utility will be allowed "to include the project in its rate base without the determination by the [c]ommission required by this rule."

In this docket, the 90-day review period for the commission to take action on HELCO's application will expire on September 4, 2002. By verbal request, the Consumer Advocate requests additional time to review the proposed project and submit its statement of position.

## II.

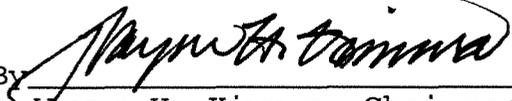
Upon our review, we find good cause to allow the Consumer Advocate additional time to review the proposed project and submit its statement of position in this docket. Accordingly, we conclude that the 90-day review period of HELCO's application, filed on June 6, 2002, should be suspended until further order of the commission.

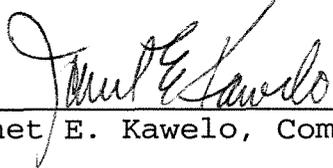
## III.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS that the 90-day review period of HELCO's application, filed on June 6, 2002, is suspended until further order of the commission.

DONE at Honolulu, Hawaii this 4th day of September,  
2002.

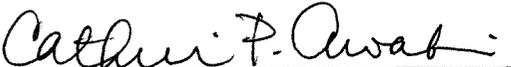
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By \_\_\_\_\_ (Recused)  
Gregg J. Kinkley, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Catherine P. Awakuni  
Commission Counsel

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this date served a copy of the foregoing Order No. 19551 upon the following parties, by causing a copy hereof to be mailed, postage prepaid, and properly addressed to each such party.

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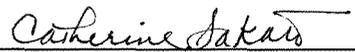
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